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In re the application of:

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FOR: LOWEER ALKANE OXIDATIVE DEHYDROGENATION CATALYSTS AND A  
PROCESS FOR PRODUCING OLEFINS

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**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

Sir:

Concurrently with the Response to Restriction filed herewith, Applicants present herein amendments cancelling the non-elected claims, amending the elected claims to more precisely recite the present invention and presenting additional claims dependent from and reading upon the elected invention for consideration by the examiner. Entry of these claims prior to substantive examination is respectfully requested.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims, which begins on page 3 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 12 of this paper.